

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 1 and substitute the following new claim 11.

11. A thin-walled plastic bottle comprising an extrusion-blow-moulded and non-gas-tight bottle-body and an injection-moulded neck-and-cap-assembly adapted to be fused to said bottle-body after said bottle-body has been filled with a fluid, wherein a foil is interposed between said bottle-body and said neck-and-cap-assembly, and wherein a cap is fitted to a neck of said neck-and-cap-assembly in order to provide a leak-free and resealable closure.

[Cancel claim 7 and substitute the following new claim 12.]

12. A process for bottling a fluid comprising the steps of:
extrusion-blow-moulding a plurality of thin-walled and non-gas-tight bottle-bodies, each bottle-body having an open-mouth;
filling each of said bottle-bodies with a fluid;
fitting an injection-moulded neck-and-cap-assembly having a neck that is covered by a foil, and having a base that is sized to correspond to said open-mouth of each fluid-filled bottle-body, to each fluid-filled bottle-body; and
heat sealing each bottle-body to said foil of each neck-and-cap-assembly.

[Cancel claim 8 and substitute the following new claim 13.]

13. A process as claimed in claim 12 including the step of sterilizing said foil prior to said fitting step.

[Cancel claim 9 and substitute the following new claim 14.]

14. A process as claimed in claim 12 wherein said bottle-bodies are extrusion-blow-moulded using a rotary machine having a series of moulds adapted to pass beneath a single die-head for the supply of a predetermined amount of plastic material to form a parison for each of said moulds, which parison is subsequently inflated to form a bottle-body.

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[Cancel claim 10 and substitute the following new claim 15.]

15. A process as claimed in claim 14 wherein each bottle-body leaving a mould is passed directly to a fluid-filling station.
